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## CATEGORIES OF CIA INTELLIGENCE PUBLICATIONS

National Intelligence Estimates and other publications similarly coordinated with the other agencies should have an indication on the cover of such participation as, for example, "Prepared with the collaboration of the IAC and other agencies." The exact wording is left to each office. The footnote on the frontispiece which indicates the exact extent of concurrence or nonconcurrence if any should be the practice.

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- 8. Research Aid: Systematically arranged data for ready reference of analysts.
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